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Throughout the country attention has been turned to the newspapers during observance of National Newspaper Week, October 1-8. The following tribute was paid the weekly newspaper by a daily contemporary, the Hibbing (Minn.) Daily Tribune:

"Since this century began a great change has taken place in the publication of the weekly newspaper.

"Weekly newspapers have decreased in number. In the latter years of the 19th century few hamlets were so small as to be without a weekly newspaper and in many very small towns there were two and sometimes three. They were in truth weekly newspapers. Almost every community had more newspapers than it could support.

"The character of weekly newspapers has definitely changed in the last 50 years. The editor of a weekly newspaper used to sit in his easy chair and take in potatoes and cordwood for a living. He regarded himself as an indispensable character in the community and took it for granted that the town owed him a living. He was an institution. He thought it quite unnecessary to bestir himself except for two purposes—to write a piece taking the hide off his competitor and to go to his meals.

"Today the weekly newspaper is a business undertaking conducted strictly along sound industrial lines. The publisher and editor works and works hard. He tries to make his paper interesting and desired and to win for it a circulation that will make it a profitable advertising medium for the stores and other business undertakings of his community. He thinks he owes something to the community. He owes it each week the local news, it is his business to voice the spirit and the aspirations of the people of his community, he owes them all the leadership of which he is capable. If he discharges these obligations to his community, he has got to get up in the morning and hustle. The editor's easy chair has gone from the editorial sanctum of today.

"The weekly newspaper has a very profound influence in American life. It is close to the people. It is one of them. It knows their thoughts, their problems, their hopes as no editor or board of editors of a big metropolitan newspaper can possibly know them. The weekly newspaper is published at the very grass roots of civilization.

"In a democracy public opinion is all powerful. The weekly newspaper more nearly reflects that opinion than does any other publication. Moreover, the weekly newspaper is in a far more favorable position to lead than are the city dailies. The weeklies can set in motion the beginnings of public opinion, and they do.

"The editor of the weekly newspaper is almost always a leader in his community. He has grown immeasurably in the last half century. Instead of being an incubus he has become an asset. The weekly newspaper has become one of the most powerful influences in American life."

About People You Know

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Betts of Gold Hill on Sept. 26, a son. The mother was formerly Miss Alice Edgell.

Mrs. L. J. Walton of Medford visited with her daughter, Mrs. Dwight Patterson, last Friday.

A. J. Bayless of Phoenix, Ariz. was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Frazier.

Mrs. Vern Hayes and daughter of Klamath Falls are guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Miller this week.

Donald Rude of San Mateo was a week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rude.

Bill Hawkins and Bob Jensen have been transferred from the naval air training school at Sand Point, Wash. to Corpus Christi, Tex.

Dr. David H. Sloan of Berkeley visited over the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lusk and daughter are vacationing in Carson City and Reno, Nev., Stockton, Calif. and other places of interest.

Cap. Charles Delsman of Fort Canby is visiting in Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Beaver of Los Angeles visited several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Herndon and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Lewis of Grants Pass were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Perrine.

Norman C. Duke of Oakland, Calif. is a guest of his brother, Judson Duke and family.

Miss Della Willard, who spent the summer at Northwestern university, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Willard, a short time before leaving to take employment at Eugene.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Marc Conger of Lakeview on Sept. 25, a son. The mother was formerly Miss Mary Ann Whitsett.

Charles Weeks of Klamath Falls was a week-end visitor in Ashland.

Miss Minerva Griffin and Mrs. A. E. Kinney visited with friends at Lake to the Woods over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jordan of Eureka were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jordan.

Miss Charlotte Short is a student at Oregon State college at Corvallis.

Dr. Clarence Woods, who recently was graduated from North Pacific Dental college in Portland, is visiting with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Woods.

Dr. Bertha Sawyer has returned home from a visit with relatives in Klamath Falls.

Lyndel Newbry is attending Oregon State college at Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. Othel Lee of Dunsmuir were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Baughman.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. McKinnon and son of Medford visited Sunday with Mrs. Anna Scheiderer.

Dr. C. A. Haines and son Keith were both successful in bringing in their deer.

Mrs. Leland Flint and Mrs. Lawrence Flint of Beaverton visited Friday with Mrs. Frank Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Andrews and daughter, Mrs. Merrick Thornton, and grandson visited in southern California the past two weeks.

Mrs. F. K. Wilson of New York City has returned home after a visit with her sister, Miss Lucie Landen.

BELLVIEW NEWS

Mrs. Floyd Samford, Mrs. R. E. Bell, Mrs. R. L. Brantley and Mrs. Catherine Chamberlain went to Grants Pass Wednesday to attend an all-day meeting of the Federated club women of southern Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall of Oakland, Calif. are spending this week with Mrs. Hall's mother, Mrs. Malinda King.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stenrud, Mrs. Sorenson, Mrs. Ella True and Miss Marie Walker were picnicking at Union Creek Sunday.

Mrs. Milton Hamilton returned Wednesday from a 10-day visit with her mother, Mrs. Eastman, near Grants Pass.

Lloyd Wenaus who is employed at Dunsmuir, spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Theo Wenaus. They drove to Sexton mountain to see Mr. Wenaus, who is doing road construction work.

Aileen Inlow who is teaching school at Gold Hill spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Val Inlow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Farmer from Nubieber, Calif. were visiting relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hamilton and sons Clyde Jr. and Gene of Grants Pass were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gowland Sunday. Clyde is a corporal with the Grants Pass National Guards stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Reitor and family left Tuesday for California where they plan to work during the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Grow have moved to the Reitor place to stay during their absence.

A group of neighbors gathered at the home of W. L. Moore Friday evening honoring him on his birthday anniversary. The party was planned by Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hull and was a complete surprise to Mr. Moore. Chinese checkers were played and delicious refreshments were served at the close of the evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. Wade, Glen and Bert Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stenrud and Mrs. Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. George Yockel, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Martin and the honored guest, Mr. Moore.

Miss La Crete Aby of Salida, Colo. is a guest at the J. Z. Walker home this week. Miss Aby is an old friend of the Walker family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ford and son of Dunsmuir spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Samford.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Willis gave a family dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Willford and son of Fullerton, Calif. and Melvin Willis of San Diego who are visiting at the G. W. Willis home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Black, former residents of Bellview, attended the wedding and reception of Miss Betty Ring Saturday evening.

The Bellview extension unit held the first meeting of the year Monday afternoon at the grange hall. Miss Farrell gave a talk on new projects to be studied this year and Mrs. Carl Henry gave a report on the mattress and comforter project that was completed the past summer. Mrs. McCoy, a new resident of the community, joined the unit. The next meeting will be Oct. 15.

"FOR RENT" cards at the Miner office.

ASHLAND MUSIC CLUB MET MONDAY EVENING

The Ashland Music Club held its first meeting of the year Monday evening at the Civic Club home. Mrs. Homer Elhart, new president, presided over the business meeting.

Mrs. Will Dodge was in charge of the program hour. Those participating were Mrs. Stephen Epler, Mrs. Cay Huffman, George Maddox, Aileen Crawford Maddox and Homer Elhart.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Will Dodge, Mrs. Homer Elhart, Miss Berna Haight, Mrs. Hugo Reinbold and Mrs. W. J. Albert.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MET THURSDAY

The Women's association of the Presbyterian church met Thursday in all-day session with Mrs. Phil Stansbury conducting the business session in the morning. At noon lunch was served by Mrs. E. S. McFarland, Mrs. Cad Ellis, Mrs. William Stennett and Mrs. A. Erickson. At the program hour Mrs. B. C. Forsythe spoke on "Alaska, the Land of Challenge."

EXAMINER COMING

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to be at the city hall in Ashland between the hours of 1 and 5 p. m. Friday, Oct. 10. All those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

JOHN FREDERICK HANSON

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon for John Frederick Hanson at the Litwiller Funeral home with Rev. Bertrand F. Peterson officiating. Interment was in Mountain View cemetery.

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